

CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: I'm sorry xx (NOSCARS 2020)

Other known title(s): Not stated

OFLC ref: 2000358.006

Medium: Film (online)

Director: Not stated

Producer: Not stated

Country of origin: Aotearoa New Zealand

Language: English

Applicant: Newlands College

Classification:	Unrestricted: Suitable for mature audiences 16 years of age and over.
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Excisions: No excisions recommended

Descriptive note: Contains adult themes.

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 12 October 2020

Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: 12 October 2020

	Components	Running time
Feature(s):	I'm sorry xx	6:41
Total running time:		6:41

Summary of reasons for decision:

The publication is a short film made by older high school students for the Newlands College short film competition; the NOSCARS. The short films deal with a variety of issues and themes including relationships, death and love. This film presents binge drinking in a manner that at times may come across as fun, the film has an anti-drinking message. For this reason, the film requires some maturity to contextualise. However, it is not reasonable to assume any of the stronger material would cause any serious harm or injury to younger viewers. The film is therefore classified as unrestricted but with a recommendation that it is more suitable for a mature audience. The unrestricted classification does

not impinge on the right to freedom of expression enshrined in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990.